

It is for this reason that the common law courts convened by those groups influenced by the Identity belief system are by far the most dangerous. Death sentences can be doled out for almost any conceivable transgression.

In the remote western Oklahoma farmhouse, Freeman/Identity farmers discussed the Justice movement. One man who had recently lost his farm to foreclosure explained their court system. "What you're seeing right now is just the beginning of taking back our country, the true Israel. The Bible says that we're to be a just people. Where is justice in this country? Our judges turn loose rapists and murderers and put farmers in jail. We're about justice. Why would anyone be afraid of that?"

"We're holding courts right now in every part of this land. We're finding people guilty and we're keeping records so we can carry out the sentences. It's the citizen's duty and right to hold common law courts. It's the militia's job to carry out the sentences."

The farmer goes on to explain that Identity doesn't believe in prisons. He says that nearly all serious offenses are dealt with by capital punishment and that this punishment system is based on the Bible, the first 10 amendments to the Constitution and the Magna Carta. When asked how these death sentences would be carried out, he says, "There's a part of the militia that's getting ready to start working on that (death sentences). I think they're ready to go now. You'll start seeing it soon."

Perhaps we already have. Was the Oklahoma City bombing only the largest and most recent example? When asked, the men in the room state emphatically that they have no first hand knowledge of the bombing—even though some of them were questioned by the FBI within days of the deadly explosion. They say the don't condone it because so many innocent people died. But they agree that it may well have been the result of a secret court sentence. The court could have found the AFT guilty for any number of actions—including Waco and Ruby Ridge—and the militia foot soldiers, in this case McVeigh and Nichols, may have simply followed orders to carry out the sentence.

Whatever the case in Oklahoma City, it seems likely that this new and radical system of vigilante justice can't help but produce similar catastrophes.

The process that gave us that bomb was likely the result of the same stress-induced illness that is tearing our country apart one pipe bomb or burned-down church at a time. Comprehending and healing that illness is our only hope for creating a future free of more bombs, more death and destruction.

IN MEMORY OF MARJORIE MORRIS

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 1997

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, my colleagues, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. SHERMAN, and I rise today to honor the memory of our dear friend, Marjorie Morris, who passed away earlier this month. Marjorie was a warm, compassionate and caring woman who spent most of her life helping children and families. She was a wonderful

mother to her three children, Blond, Clifford, and Paul, and the loving wife of our close friend, Hugo. Marjorie and Hugo were married for 48 years.

Born in Kansas, Marjorie moved with her family to California when she was a young girl. She met her future husband at UCLA, where both were elected officers of the campus United Nations Association. They were married on September 1, 1949.

Marjorie touched the lives of literally thousands of children. She was a kindergarten teacher in San Fernando, and then a teacher at the Lokrantz School for children with special needs. From 1981 to 1983, she was president of the 4,000-member Southern California Association for the Education of Young Children.

From 1965 to her death Marjorie was a member of the board of directors of the Foundation for Early Childhood Education, an agency that operates 31 Head Start and other sites for 1,500 children.

Marjorie also loved music; she sang in Roger Wagner's choral group at UCLA and conducted a weekly children's folk music program on Radio Station KPFK. Marjorie's family had the good fortune to hear her sing at holiday gatherings. She was blessed with a truly beautiful voice.

We ask our colleagues to join us in honoring the memory of Marjorie Morris, a woman who brought joy and love into the lives of many. She will be missed.

MAST MOUNTED SIGHT (MMS) AND THERMAL IMAGING SENSOR SYSTEM (TISS)

HON. DAVID DREIER

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Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the over 200 McDonnell Douglas employees in Monrovia, CA, who are engaged in producing night vision/targeting systems for use by the U.S. Army and Navy. For nearly 10 years, the Army's Mast Mounted Sight [MMS] has been assembled at this facility.

During Desert Shield/Desert Storm, many Americans saw pictures and video images of Army OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters with a large dome over the rotor blades. This dome, or MMS, was developed to increase survivability through its capacity to identify and target potential threats in both day and night, and during adverse weather. Through its multi-sensor electro-optical sighting system, our pilots were able to see through fog, and storms and thick smoke from burning oil fields, thus allowing our soldiers to own the night.

The U.S. Navy also made wide use of the MMS to protect our warships passing through narrow shipping lanes. More than 200 Mast Mounted Sights were deployed during the Gulf War to spot and destroy floating mines, detect and track antiship missiles, and to destroy enemy missile sites. Even under adverse conditions of war in a desert environment, the MMS maintained a 96 percent mission capable rate.

Using lessons learned from producing the MMS, the team at Monrovia is transitioning their facility to the next generation system known as Thermal Imaging Sensor System [TISS]. TISS is primarily designed for ship-

board application and uses a combination of infrared sensor, TV camera and eyesafe laser range finder to detect, recognize and track mines, ships, small boats, low flying aircraft, cruise missiles and swimmers. TISS is fully operational at night and during bad weather, and is effective in close-in operations where radar may be ineffective. It is also useful for navigating and for search and seizure operations.

TISS can easily be adapted to helicopters, fixed wing aircraft and security installations. TISS is now in production and delivery of initial units to the fleet is scheduled for September 1997. The U.S. Navy plans to procure between 120 to 150 systems over the next 6 years.

Over the past few years, my staff and I have visited the outstanding production facility in Monrovia and found both the workers and production line to be of the highest quality. Each and every McDonnell Douglas employee at Monrovia, along with their supplier team, should be extremely proud of their efforts in providing our military forces the finest and most reliable equipment available for carrying out their difficult mission of defending the resources and interests of the United States of America.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

SPEECH OF

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 22, 1997

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill, H.R. 2160:

Mr. KIM. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of the Cox-Hall compromise amendment. I applaud my two colleagues for working together on this issue to come up with this solution which continues the United States tradition of humanitarian assistance, while preventing direct shipments of food to the rogue regime in North Korea.

Yes, North Korea is ruled by one of the last remaining hardcore Communist dictatorships, and yes, some of the food aid currently flowing into North Korea may be diverted to the military. Nonetheless, I believe that we need to help feed the starving people of North Korea.

The United States has a long tradition of helping feed the world's hungry citizens. The United States has always helped out humanitarian causes. We have always fed people in need: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Congo, Somalia and Haiti, to name a few. Some have had regimes just as awful as North Korea's.

I would like to quickly point out one such country: Ethiopia.

In the 1980's, Ethiopia was suffering through a great famine. Much like North Korea, a natural disaster—combined with the bankrupt policies of the Stalinist Mengistu regime—resulted in millions of starving people.

Yet, we did not deny those people food because of their war-mongering government. We did not let children starve because Mengistu